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True courage is cool and calm. The bravest of men have the least of a brutal, bullying insolence, and in the very time of danger are found the most serene and free. Rage, we know, can make a coward forget himself and fight. But what is done in fury or anger can never be placed to the account of courage.

—Shaftesbury.

Virginia Farm Products.

The Times-Dispatch has been urging the people of Virginia to use home-made meats and home-made products generally. But the statistics seem to show that the farmers of the State are not producing enough to supply the home demand.

According to the census of 1900 the total number of meat cattle in the United Sintes on farms and ranges was 67,719,000; number per thousand inhabitants, 890; value per capita of inhabitants, \$19.20. In Virginia: Total number, 825,000; num ber per thousand inhabitants, 440; value per capita of inhabitants, \$9.10.

In Indiana: Total number, 1,684,000; num ber per thousand inhabitants, 670; value per capita of inhabitants, \$16.20.

In West Virginia: Total number, 640,000 number per thousand inhabitants, 660; value per capita of inhabitants, \$14.66. In Kentucky: Total number, 1,083,000; number per thousand inhabitants, 500; value per capita of inhabitants, \$11.12.

The statistics as to the number of dairy cows, swine and sheep make much the same relative exhibit for Virginia. They are as follows: DAIRY COWS .- Total number, United

States, 17,136,000; number per thousand inhabitants, 224; value per capita of inha bitants, \$6,42.

In Virginia: Total number, 282,00 number per thousand inhabitants, 152; value per capita of inhabitants, \$3.58.

In Indiana: Total number, 574,000 thousand inhabitants, 228; value per capita of inhabitants, \$7.26. In West Virginia: Total number, 206 000; number per thousand inhabitants 215; value per capita, of inhabitants, \$5.93 In Kentucky: Total number, 364,000 number per thousand inhabitants, 170 value per capita of inhabitants, \$4.90. SWINE.-Total number, United States

62,868,000; number per thousand inhabi In Virginia: Total number, 946,000 number per thousand inhabitants, 510. In Indiana: Total number, 3,763,000

number per thousand inhabitants, 1,500. number per thousand inhabitants, 910. In Tennessee: Total number, 1,977,000 number per thousand inhabitants, 980. SHEEP.-Total number United States 61.504.000; number per thousand inhabi-

ber per thousand inhabitunts, 374.

In Indiana: Total number, 1,742,000 number per thousand inhabitants, 690, In West Virginia: Total number, 2,664, 000; number per thousand inhabitants

In Kentucky: Total number, 1,297,000 number per thousand inhabitants, 600. The figures relating to wheat, corn

hay, butter and eggs make even a poor er showing for Virginia. They follow: WHEAT-Average annual crop in Vir ginia for five years, 1898 to 1902, inclusive 7,939,000 bushels. Average per capita, 4.25 bushels; average crop per capita, United 8.28; Indiana, 19.94; Maryland, 10.45: Tennessee, 5.25.

Average annual consumption of wheat per capita in the United States for same period (statistical abstract United State 1903), 5.10 bushels. Total annual con sumption in Virginia on this basis, 9,456, 000 bushels. Deficiency in annual production, 1,517,000 bushels. Average farm price of wheat in Virginia, 72 cents per bushel; average United States, 60.7 cents. CORN-Average annual crop in Virginia (same period), 26,803,000 bushels, Crop per capita, 19.6 bushels; average crop per capita United States, 25.7 bushels; Ind ana, 54.3 bushels; Kontucky, 32.1; Ten-

Average annual consumption per capi ta in the United States, 24.6 bushels. To tal annual consumption on this basis in Virginia, 45,979,000 bushels. Deficiency in production to meet consumption in Virgioti, 0,170,000 bushels. Average farm of corn, Virginia, 46.6 conts per bushel: United States, 89.1 cents.

HAY-Average annual crop in Virginia for same period, 601,000 tons. Crop per wipita, 0.82 trans; average crop per capita, United States, 0.74 tons; Indiana, 0.93 tons; Tennessee, 0.81 tons; West Vir winis, 0.67 tons.

Average annual consumption in the United States per capita, 0.74 cons. Toannual consumption in Virginia ou this basts, 1,372,00 tons. Shortage of an bust erop to provide for consumption, tons. Average farm price, Vir-\$11.53 per ton; average United

1,491,782,000 lbs. Average per capita, 19.6 lbs. Average consumption, United States,

Virginia: Production, 20,076,000 lbs. Av erage production per capita, 10.1. Average consumption per capita, assumed same as that of United States-19.8. Excess of consumption over production, 15,708,000 lbs. Indiana; Surplus over consumption, 6,637,000 lbs. West Virginia: Shortage,

EGGS,-Production, United States, 1,203, sts,000 dozens. Average production per capita, 17 dozens. Avorage consumption per capita, 10.9 dosens.

Virginia: Production, 25,550,000. Averagproduction per capita, 18.8 dozens. Aver age consumption per capita, assume same as that of United States-16.9 dozens. Excess of consumption over production onsumption, 28,262,000 dozens, West Vir ginini Surplus, 1,035,000 dozens.

Virginal is a state of infinite resources She has broad acres and her soil wil ducts that are peculiar to the tropics Therefore, her farmers should make s supply of agricultural products equal at least to home consumption. These figures but to stimulate them to greater exer tion. It is cortainly most encouraging to know that there is a demand in Vis ginia for all Virginia farm products, and

The Demands of Justice.

The Norfolk Virginian-Pilot, whose ber of the Constitutional Convention makes a strong point when it says that to refuse to yield obedience to a regu lation of law (not a criminal statute), in order to solve a reasonable doubt of its constitutionality, is within the bounds to every citizen of not being restrained out a hearing in a court of justice. Suppose the Legislature had enacted law fixing the prices of merchandise a would the merchants of the State tamely submit to the law? Would they not as one man refuse to obey it, and wait for an action at law to be brought against

It must be remembered that the rall roads of the State belong to the stockholders, and the managers, who are the agents of the stockholders, have no righ to put into effect a harsh regulation of law until they have tested the regulation By the way, the Corporation Commis

sion has also come in for a share of the criticism in failing to obey the Churchman act and the Booker resolution. It in the nature of instructions to the Corporation Commission, and that it is the it should be remembered that the Cor authority and function of a court of mission to administer justice to all interests involved in its decisions, regard act and the Booker resolution are no by the Corporation Commission than by be called upon to pass upon them. We should be in a bad way truly if our courts rendered their decisions in socordance with popular emotionalism rather than in accordance with the demands of fustice. If that were the prac tice, we might as well abolish the entire court system and let the mob rule,

The President's Salary.

The \$25,000 appropriation for the Presi dent's traveling expenses became availa ble on Monday, and from now on the occupants of the White House may indulge in annual traveling to that amount at the nation's expense. which led to the introduction of this item in the appropriation bill for the next fiscal year are familiar to every body, and meet with almost everybody's approval. It is commonly agreed that the President should neither pay for back upon the courtestes of the transportation companies. Some objection has in which this desirable end was accomplished. Many people have felt that the traveling allowance is virtually an increase of salary and hence cannot properly apply to the President now in appropriation idea altogether, and favor increasing the President's salary to \$100,-000, from which sum he can regulate hi own expenditures as he sees fit. "The President's salary," it must be

borne in mind, however, is a somewhat elastic expression, in which the \$50,000 official compensation is entwined with a number of additional allowances. A recent article in The Boston Transcript rehearses these allowances. \$60,000 is set aside for the furnishing and general care of the White House, and \$20,000 for lighting it. Another \$20,000 goes for contigene expenses, such as stationery, telephone and telegraph service, etc., and a second \$00,000 pays the wages of the White House employes. The fuel for the White House and the green houses that supply it with flowers are also looked after by the government. These make an aggregate allowance of upwards o \$160,000. Adding to them the new appro priation for traveling and salary proper we observe that the President's incom as a man in ordinary life would estimate income, is not far from \$250,000.

There has thus been evident no dis position to shave pennics in the nation's dealing with its Chief Executive, Fift; thousand a year is undoubtedly to these days as most people feel that it should be run. Some reluctance to raise the President's salary, as the President's salary, as the past 53 years. the President's salary, as such, has usually made itself full when the ques tion has been raised, and Congress has fallen back upon the plan of special apfallen back upon the plan of special appropriations to cover special needs. The method is a development rather than the expression of a fixed pointy, and is cumpersone and doubtless obtainable to be special points. BUTTER.-Production, United States, persons and doubtless objectionable in Fever,

all the appropriations and replacing then by a greatly increased sainty is possibly open to certain other objections. There is little doubt, however, that Mr. Roosevelt's successor will and the President's official compensation raised from \$50,00

Mr. Bryan Concurs.
"The party is entitled to its most available man, and the question of availability cannot be determined so far in ability cannot be determined so far in advance. Circumstances and issues may strengthen the claims of some one of the gentlemen mentioned, and the list should be an open one with the time comes to choose."—William J. Bryan.

This indicates that Mr. Bryan concurs in the view expressed in The Times-Dispatch, that it is had party policy to nominate a candidate two years ahead

Of course, Mr. Bryan's sincerity is not to be questioned. And yet one cannot help recalling the famous speech of Mari Anthony, beginning "Sweet friends, le me not stir you up," nor the scarcely less famous speech of Brer Rabbit, Please doon frow me in de brier patch. The surest way for Mr. Bryan to get the people to them not to do it.

Dend mules on the streets give offense to the nostrils of our Richmond contem poraries. This comes of the ambition of the city on the James to ape the ways of metropolitanism. If the grass had been allowed to grow along the curbs, perhaps poor Neddy had not died .- Norfolk Vir-

Comments at long range are never safe 'Poor Neddy" broke his leg and had to be shot. The green grass would not have saved him.

Mr. Bryan refers to Hearst as a man has "rendered conspicuous service to the party and the country." In handling this item the New York Journal must have been somewhat perplexed as to whether to give the Datto, at last, the

Thou hast all seasons for thine own Thou hast all seasons for the own.

O ball. In the autumn we have football, in the winter the social ball, in the summer the moth ball.—Four-Track News for

And in the autumn, winter, spring and

As to the Churchman act, the railroads don't seem to feel that there is anything especially holy about it. Wasn't it Mr. Shakespeare who made that remark about the Insignificance of nomenclature?

Eggs of a proper age are still regarded as reasonably wholesome, and sandwich tastily. Have this in mind when pack ng your picule-box this morning.

Speaking for a moment of Dr. Dowle's Leaves of Healing," doesn't common gratitude demand a place for the palm-

from Texas. A wind that behaves in this way may be described as really barberous.

The hot weather is especially trying for Senator Platt, of New York, llways has to carry around two suitshis own and Mae Wood's.

Full among the revelations of Pack ingtown horrors, we are determined to andwich in the contention that a tongue n the tin is still worth two in the average head.

Now that they've set the type of the canal, what they need most is a firstrate make-up man. Doubtless Mr. Bryan's attitude,

ever, is not unlike that of the immortal At any rate, the Panama Canal is

about the solidest waterway the world has yet seen. To Commissioner Garfield, however, be longs the real credit of inventing the

As an inevitable consequence of the day, the world's population stands somewhat reduced this morning.

Independence Day gets its name from the fact that the youth of the land use

If you see it in the Congressional Record, it's so-industrious of you.

Only 864 days, more to the Glorion

A Disciple of Hearst.

A Disciple of Hearst.

Baltor of The Times-Dispatch:
Sir,—In your comment on the Hearst-Balley controversy you add that, were Mr. Balley to meet Mr. Hearst on a dark night in the rural environs of Washington in the might inject some interest into Mr. Hearst, as they do things decently well in Texas. I dare say you underestimate the fearless character of the young giant of the East, although I admit he has no reputation as a fighter along the same illnes as Mr. Balley. Mr. Balley is a man of about six feet, well built, and weights about 200 pounds, and in an encounter on the Senate floor he casily vanguished the lightweight 126-pound Mr. Bearst hes more creditable victories to boast in his long series of hattles with trusts in behalf of the people. His fight is for human rights and directed against the most powerful trusts, and the sting of his lash has been felt by several of the most powerful newspapers in New York, as well as the leading officials of that city, including the young Mayor, and if you wish to know what Mr. Hearst's followers think of Balley, let him attempt to address a New York gathering. He will discover that there is no place like home for Joe Balley. F. A. MAYOR.

New York City.

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HOSTETTER'S STOMACH BITTERS

Rhymes for To-Day

Quiet Fourths and Noisy Yule-

Tides.
[Reprinted from "Rhymes For To-Day"
of July 5, 1905.]

All day our streets stood calm and still, Bereft of rows, in rostful quiet, and none fared Fourth to maim or kill Or riot. So maught disturbed the most consortous—Ah, different was the day up North, Where horrid noise e'er marks the glorious—Old Fourth.

Tis there the ginnt cracker cracks, The rocket rocks and bombs go bombing, And Roman candles cand and wax

Alarming,
And sizzers sizz and pinwhools pin. And cannons can and get releaded, While kind hands lift the lad that's bee

Aye there saltpetre's truly kind, And kingly bids a regal rumpus, But here, how quiet! The a thing To stump us!

But ere we canonize our boys As saints, from this point Isthmus, ot's think of all this pent-up noise Next Christmas.

Merely Joking.

Get Pressod Down to His Head.—Mrs. Hoyle: "Your husband's ears don't silek gut as much as they used to. Mrs. Doyle: "No! we live in a flat now."—The Boliemian for July.

At the Wedding.—Her: "The bride looks like a queen." Him: "Yes, and the groom looks like the dauce."—Chicago News.

Brought to Time. That was a run away match of Smith's, wasn't it?" "Yes: he tried to get away in the night but the bride and her father caught him."—Cleveland Leader.

Played in Luck,-Rownn: reayed in Luck.—Rownn: "Did you have any trouble in learning to play the cornet?" Blott: "None worth mentioning. All the neighbors were poor shots."—Chicago News.

Those Dear Girls.—"He has asked me to marry him." simpared the somewhat mature malden. "What would you advise me to do?" "Make him put it in writing," promptly answeher her dear girl friend,—Louisville Courier Journal. But She's There All Right,-"Where

But She's There All Right.

are you going this summer?" "Atlantic
City." Know anybody there?" "My
fiancee is spending the summer there."
"What's her namo?" "Gee, I don't
know. I haven't met any of the girls
yet."—Cleveland Leader.

A Boudoir Confidence, "But why have you broken your engagement?"; "Weil, I simply couldn't marry a manuwith a broken nose." "Ah! I wonder how he got his nose broken, poor fellow!" "Oh, Ustrick him nostdonially, with a contract of the contract was teaching me golf."-

TWO OF A KIND.

Comments of the Press on the Churchman Act and Button Case

Churchman Act and Button Case.

To refuse to yield obodience to a regulation of law (not a criminal statute, in order to, solven reasonable, doubt, of its constitutionality, seems to the Virginian-Pilot, within title bounds for the ginian Pilot, which the bounds for the ginian Pilot, which the bounds for the ginian Pilot, which belongs to every citizen, or not being restrained as to his person of property except by due process of law, if the Supreme Court should hold the Churchman act to be unconstitutional, no containty inflicted upon the railroads by the Churchman act to be unconstitutional, no containty inflicted upon the railroads by the Courtman act to be unconstitutional, no containty decision for intermediate failure to bey that act would hold good. If the contrary decision for intermediate failure to the pilot of the railroads lave taken that risk and could not compassed a law creating an Insurance Burvet along the protect the public from alleged abuses and elected a commissioner to enforce the regulation of invarance quantities and the companies under general supervision of the Corporation Commission But the latter to the authority to choose the insurance Commissioner. Therefore, holding the act of Assembly to be unconstitutional the Corporation Commission refuses to be bound by it, will not allow Colonel Button to chally or enter upon the duties to with authority to choose the insurance Commission so violating the statutes of the commonwealth, a criminal and a law-breaker? Or is it pursuing the legitimate path to solution of an important issue of organic law?—Norfolk Viginian-Pilot.

The Corporation Commission classing to a surface to bismiton its refusing to

organic law?—Norfolk Virginian-Pilot.

The Corporation Commission discliarged only a manifest obligation in refusing to permit Hon. Joseph Button to quality at its har for the position of Insurance Commissioner for this State. The Commission considered that grave question existed as to the validity of Mr. Button's appointment, and we think in its statement upon the subject, clearly demonstrated that it had ample ground upon which to base its doubts. Under such circumstances, we say, the Commission would have failed in its duty had it qualified Mr. Button—Lynchburg News.

Lynchburg Nows.

Without undertaking to pass on the legal aspect of the question, it seems to us as a matter of policy there can be no two opinions of the wisdom of having the fixta Corporation (Commission appoint and direct all of its clerks, including the one who has charge of insurance matters. The Corporation Commission is the proper body to supervise the work of insurance companies, and is empowered so to do by the Constitution, just as it supervises all other corporations. It is not wise to dignify the branch of the business having charge of insurance matters by making a department of it, the Legislature slocting its head. Harmony and discipline in the Commission will be promoted by leaving this matter entirely to the Commission, which we believe was the purpose of the Constitutional Convention. We hope the Court of Appeals will decide that the Commission has entire charge of this matter, and that the Legislature was exceeding its powers when it attempted to name the clerk to supervise insurance. We are confident the court will incline to give the Commission full powers in the matter if the wording of the organic law permits it, and will approve its course in declining to permit Colonel Button to be sworn in as head of the insurance department under the Commission.—Staunton Dispatch.

Kipling as a Hymn-Writer.

Kipling as a Hymn-Writer. The new "English Hymnal," published by the Oxford University Press, is very

Aubrey De Vere, the Irish poet, is Aubrey De Vore, the Irish poet, is represented by one hymn; Laurence Housman, the author of "An Englishwoman's Love Letters," has twelve, and William Canton, who wrote "The Invisible Playmate" some years ago, contributes two, one of which follows a hymn by Bunyan.

Mr. Athelstan Riley has a dozen hymns, the Rev. Peroy Dearmer has ninoteen.

ninoteen.

Here are a few names famous in literature found in the index: Samuel Johnson, Thomas Carlyle, William Cullen Bryant, Thomas Moore, Oliver Wendell Holmes, Edmund Spenser, Lord Tennyson, Christina Ressetti and J. G. Whittier,

tier.

Together appear the names of poets so diverse in atx stand age as the Venoratic Bede, Charles Kingeley and Rudeyard Kipling. Kipling is represented by the "Recessional." Mr. Gladstone is credited with one, "Oh, Load My Blinders by the Hand." New York Werls.

Thought to Be Firing Blan Cartridges, and One of Them Was Loaded.

SUMMER NORMAL SCHOOL

New Light on the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
RALEICH, N. C., July 4.—The State offices were all closed to-day in observance of the holiday, except for the closing of the banks and pastoffice; also some of the larger mercantile establishments during a portion of the day. There was no public demonstration here at all in celebration of the day. There was no public demonstration here at all in celebration of the day. Rev. S. J. Beft's has retained ex-Judge W. A. Montgomery and Col. J. C. L. Harris as counsel for the purpose of produring a mandamus from the Superior Court here next week to compel the Raleigh Aldermen to call an election on the question of "prohibition" or. "disponsary." It will be remombered that the Aldermen have refused a petition with ample signatures, on the construction the city attorney puts on the Watts act, claining that there is no provision for an election as between prohibition and disponsary.

President Daughtridge and Secretary J. E. Poague, of the State Fair, have determined to send a delegation, it enable by Governor Glenn and the North Carolina delegation in Congress, to New York during the time William Jennings Bryan is there, to extend to him a pressing invitation to come to Raleigh during the State Pair in October and deliver an address. They are very confident of success. Their plan is to have Bryan for the star attraction for the approaching fair, just as President Roosevelt was for the 1905 fair.

J. E. Cameron, Jr., the twelve-year-old son of J. E. Cameron, of this city, was accidentally shot about six evices, this morning in the street near the Cameron readence, on Polk Street, while celebrating the Fourth with fireworks. A younger brother had a small revolver, with which he was firing blank cartridges, As usual in such cases, one of them was "loaded," and the elder brother was shot in the right side. The wound is very painful, but not especially dangorous. J. E. Cameron is in the revenue service and is one of the brightest of the Carded Schools, delivered an address this afternoon befor

away as to the famous document, and all the country would have to acknowl-edge the right of North Carolina in her

on DOSTATE FIREMEN. Sign

Many Companys Will Compete in

the Reel Races.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

ASHEVILLE, N. C. July 4—The State Firemen's Tournament, which will be held here July 10th, 11th and 12th, will be the most interesting meeting of the kind ever held in North Carolina, A large number of teams from this State will participate in the contests, and it is expected that every State withings radius of five hundred miles will be represented.

Among the companies with the state with the contests.

Among the companies which are expected to attend the tournament are three from Raleigh, two from Charlotte, N. C., two from Anderson, S. C., one from Danyille, Va., one from Charleston, S. C., one from Chapel Hill, one from Durham, one from Concord, N. C., one from Anniston, Ala., one from Morristown, Tenn., two from Winston-Salem, one from Stoteswille one from Kingston two from niston, Ala, one from Morriston, Tellin, two from Winston-Salem, one from Statesville, one from Kingston two from Goldsboro, one from Rocky Mount, one from Elizabeth City, one from High Point and one from Newborn.
Winston, Oxford and Greensboro are also likely to be represented.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
WINSTON-SALEM, N. C., July 4.-A
freight wreck on the Mocksville-Mooresville Road this morning, near Clemmons,
blocked the track all day, all passanger
trains being unable to pass until toto the Southern Rallway, but the crew escaped injury,

Deputy Grand Master.

Deputy Grand Master.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

SOUTH BOSTON, VA., July 4.—Mr.

Phil H. Johnson, of this place, has just
seen appointed district deputy grand masen, I. O. D. H., for the Thirty-second
District. The appointment was made by
he newly-elected grand master, Roland
O. Chase, of Clintwood, Va. Mr. Johnon was among the past grand members on was among the past grand memb Grady Lodge, No. 14, at this place,

Who May Vote.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
AMHERST, VA., July 4.—The board
supervisors yesterday decided that
persons who will be qualified to vote
the regular election this fall shall
allowed to participate in the election
be held August 18th on the question
the proposed bond issue of \$80,000, to
spent on the roads of the county,

A TARANTULA IN A **BUNCH OF BANANAS**

Kept a Family Terrified for Three Days Until Found and

Killed.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

MITCHFILE, July 4.—As Mr. O. T.

Clark, of Mitchells, was about to pull a
hanans from a burch he had just received for his store, he saw a tarantile, one
of this most violous and venomous of
tropical spiders, about to spring upon
him. He dropped the basean and the
spider escaped. Mr. Clarke and his family
work completely terrorised, and it was
not until the third day thereafter that
the teaunities was discovered in a box
of lemons and killed, much to the relief
af all.

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LEVY ON THE EFFECT OF SUB-CONTRACTORS

Bedford City Merchants Claim to Be Out Thou-

sands.

(Special to, The Times-Dispatch.)

BEDFORD CITY, VA., July 4.—Robort Ferguson: & Co., subcontractors for Lane Brothers, contractors for the construction of the Tidewater Railway, have apparently left the State, leaving behind a formidable array of creditors.

This firm had contracted for concrete work, and were engaged in operations near Haden's Bridge, on the south side of the county, about twelve miles distant. Without fear of less the firm had received unlimited credit from the merchants of Bedford City, the aggregate of whose lesses amounts to thousands of

chants of Bedford City, the aggregate of whose losses amounts to thousands of dollars, one hardware firm having sold them goods to the amount of twelve hundred dollars. They also 'went out of their own line and purchased for the camp, without profit to themselves, \$50 worth of mattresses as an accommodation.

Fortunately, the two banks here are not at all involved. The firm was paid up on Saturday, the last of June. There is much feeling here and many sadder and wiser business men as to furnishing un-limited credit to strangers without se-

curity.

No warrants have been issued for the arrest of the absent contractors. About arrest of the absent contractor. About five thousand dollars due them remains in the hands of the chief contractor, and their machinery, horses and mules are being levied upon; but it is thought very little can be recovered by their creditors.

NORFOLK'S APPRECIATION OF ADMIRAL HARRINGTON

OF ADMIKAL HARMING ON A Company to The Times-Dispatch.)

NORFOLK, VA., July 4.—The Norfolk City Councils have adopted a resolution expressing regret at the approaching retirement of Rear-Admiral P. F. Harrington, commandant of the Norfolk Navy Yard, and commend him highly for "the fair," impartial, generous manner in which he has always responded to the calls upon him for assistance in the development and furtherance of the interests of Norfolk.

Wallace-Piercey.

Wallace—Piercey.

MEHERRIN, VA., July 4.—At the home of Mrs. J. M. Flercey, at 8:80 this morning, a very protty home marriage was solemnized by Rev. E. H. Powell, of the Methodist Church, the contracting parties being Mr. W. M. Wellace, a popular business man and carpenter of our town, and Miss Earney Lee Flercey, the protty and accomplished daughter of Mrs. J. M. Piercey.

The bride wore a heautiful going-away of gown and carried bride's roses. She entered with Mr. H. H. Rest, her brother-in-law, who save her away. Mr. Waverly Lash was best man, and Mrs. H. H. Rest was matron of honor. The home was tastefully decorated with evergreens, cut and potted flowers, with white, red and green effect.

Who embarked for a trip to Chase City. Almost the entire town were in attendance and followed the party to the depot.

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